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Terry Goddard to Celebrate Older Americans Month at Events Across Valley

(Phoenix, Ariz. – April 29, 2008) Attorney General Terry Goddard will celebrate Older American's Month at multiple events across the Valley during the month of May.

Since 1963, May has been set aside to honor our country's oldest Americans. This year's theme is *Working Together for Strong, Healthy and Supportive Communities*. It is a month to celebrate the many contributions older citizens make to our community and the many opportunities each of us has to create healthier communities for all ages. Throughout May, Goddard will be meeting with seniors across Arizona to warn of common scams targeting seniors and provide tips to help them avoid being victims of fraud.

Protecting Arizona Seniors Presentation in the East Valley

Goddard will talk about steps seniors can take to protect themselves from consumer fraud.

Event Information:

Who: Attorney General Terry Goddard
What: Protecting Arizona Seniors Presentation
Where: Pyle Senior Center
655 E. Southern Ave., Tempe Ariz.
When: Friday, May 2, 10-11 a.m.

Protecting Arizona Seniors Presentation in the West Valley

Goddard will be joined by Avondale Mayor Marie Lopez-Rogers to discuss steps seniors can take to protect themselves from consumer fraud.

Event Information:

Who: Attorney General Terry Goddard and Avondale Mayor Marie Lopez-Rogers
What: Protecting Arizona Seniors Presentation
Where: Avondale Senior Center
1007 S. 3rd St., Avondale, Ariz.
When: Wednesday, May 7, 11-11:45 a.m.

Governor's Conference on Aging

Goddard will talk about steps seniors can take to protect themselves from consumer fraud.

Event Information:

Who: Attorney General Terry Goddard
What: Protecting Arizona Seniors Presentation
Where: Mesa Convention Center
200 N. Centennial Way, Mesa, Ariz.
When: Friday, May 16, 8:30-9 a.m.

Protecting Arizona's seniors from abuse and exploitation is an important function of the Attorney General's Office. Many Arizona seniors are vulnerable to physical abuse and neglect by caretakers, and many are targeted by people attempting to defraud them through home repair, living trust scams, bogus charities and other scams.

The Attorney General's Office has a network of satellite offices throughout Arizona to make it easy for citizens to access services. These offices are staffed by trained volunteers who can answer questions, help resolve consumer and civil rights problems and help file consumer complaints. Please visit the Attorney General's Web site at www.azag.gov for locations and phone numbers or to sign up to receive AG messages and scam alerts.

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